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7. Chandigarh	45,000
8. Delhi	8,400
9. Himachal Pradesh	4,64,950
10. Gujarat	100
11. Bihar	1,00,000
12. Karnataka	2,55,000
13. Andhra Pradesh	3,00,000
14. Maharashtra	2,500
15. A & N Island	1,000
16. Assam	900
17. Defence	1,25,100
18. Railway	23,500
TOTAL :	23,08,00

Smuggling of Pentamidine a Drug for Kala Azar

1114. DR. NARREDDY THULASI REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a racket of pentamidine a drug for Kala-Azar being smuggled to Nepal and again smuggled back into the country for higher prices; and

(b) if so, what steps Government are taking to control this racket?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) Fifty vials of pentamidine drug, valued at Rs. 15,000/- was seized in December, 1990, from a person from Nepal at Jayanagar Railway station, Madhubani District, Bihar. This is the only case noticed so far.

(b) The anti-smuggling drive has been intensified and the anti-smuggling machinery throughout the country, especially in the vulnerable areas of the land borders, has been geared up. Close coordination is being maintained with all agencies concerned in the detection and prevention of smuggling.

Setting up of a Mint in Salboni District of West Bengal

1115. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present position with regard to the setting up of a Mint at Salboni in Midnapore District of West Bengal;

(b) by when the Mint is likely to be commissioned; and

(c) what will be its capacity of production and the manpower to be employed therein?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) There is no proposal for setting up of a Mint at Salboni in Midnapore District of West Bengal.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Sharavati Tail Race Project in Karnataka

1116. SHRI J. P. JAVALI: Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sharavati Tail Race Project of 24